



# Inside Wallops

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## NASA Day of Rememberance, January 29



### T-38 ACCIDENTS

Theodore C. Freeman  
October 31, 1964

Charles A. Bassett, II  
Elliot M. See, Jr.  
February 28, 1966

Clifton C. Williams, Jr.  
October 5, 1967

### APOLLO ONE ACCIDENT

Virgil "Gus" Grissom  
Edward H. White, II  
Roger B. Chaffee  
January 27, 1967

### X-15 ACCIDENT

Michael J. Adams  
November 15, 1967

### F-104 ACCIDENT

Robert H. Lawrence Jr.  
December 8, 1967

### CHALLENGER ACCIDENT

Francis "Dick" Scobee  
Michael J. Smith  
Judith A. Resnik  
Ellison S. Onizuka  
Ronald E. McNair  
Gregory B. Jarvis  
S. Christa McAuliffe  
January 28, 1986

### COMMERCIAL PLANE ACCIDENT

Manley L. "Sonny" Carter, Jr.  
April 5, 1991

### COLUMBIA ACCIDENT

Rick D. Husband  
William C. McCool  
Michael P. Anderson  
Kalpana Chawla  
David Brown  
Laurel Clark  
Ilan Ramon  
February, 1, 2003

### *"High Flight"*

*Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth  
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings:  
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth  
Of sun-split clouds — and done a hundred things  
You have not dreamed of — wheeled and soared and swung  
High in the sunlit silence: hov'ring there,  
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung  
My eager craft through footless halls of air.  
Up, the long, delirious, burning blue  
I've topped the windswept heights with easy grace  
Where never lark, or even eagle flew —  
And while with silent, lifting mind I've trod  
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,  
Put out my hand and touched the face of God.*

*John Gillespie Magee, Jr.*

### **Wallops Shorts..... Rocket Launch**

A NASA Black Brant X sounding rocket was successfully launched from SvalRakNyAlesund, Svalbard, Norway, on January 22.

The experiment was to measure ion drifts, electron drifts, electron and ion precipitation, convection electric fields, and plasma waves.

The Svalbard radar (ESR) and EISCAT Tromso (Norway) radars were used to monitor ion outflow near the nominal rocket apogee for comparison with the sounding rocket data.

The principal investigator was Dr. Paul Kintner, Cornell University. Bill Payne, NASA Sounding Rocket Operations Contract (NSROC) was the mission manager.

### **In the News Space.com**

"Elusive Vulcanoids: Search Reaches New Heights"

### **Spaceflight Now.Com**

"Suborbital Mission Looks at Mercury, Seeks Vulcanoids"

### **Employee Notification in Inclement Weather**

The following is the process NASA Wallops Flight Facility follows for issuing notices for change of work schedule resulting from inclement weather. The recorded numbers listed below are the primary notification and are updated first. The media is the secondary notification. We cannot assure our employees what time the media will post changes in work schedules.

The Public Affairs Office is notified by senior management no later than 5:15 a.m. of any change in work schedule. We immediately place messages on the Wallops recorded lines and notify the media.

### **Wallops Recorded Numbers**

Main Number  
(757) 824-1000 or 1-800-521-3415  
Operations Schedule Line  
(757) 824-1176  
Information Line (757) 824-2050

### **Local Media**

WBEY	96.9 FM
WESR	1330 AM & 103.3 FM
WVES	99.3 FM
WOLC	102.5 FM
WQHQ	104.7 FM
WBOC-TV	Channel 16
WMDT-TV	Channel 47

## Black History Club



Annual Dinner  
and  
Entertainment

February 21, 2004  
5 p.m. to Midnight  
at the Cropper Center

Tickets are \$25 each and must be purchased by February 13.

Contact Rebecca Beach, x1559;  
Karen Lewis, x2163 or Freda Johnson on x1466.

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## GSA Issues Task Order For "One NASA" Access Card

The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) recently awarded a \$93 million task order to Maximus, Inc, Reston, Va., to assist NASA in developing a state-of-the-art smart card for agency employees and contractors to access facilities and information systems.

GSA awarded the task through its Smart Access Common ID Contract managed by the Federal Technology Service's (FTS) Center for Smart Card Solutions.

The "One NASA" smart card will enhance physical security for NASA facilities by authenticating an individual's identity and provide a higher level of identity assurance for the agency's information technology systems.

"NASA plans to run a small field trial in May at Marshall Space Flight Center. If that is successful, the trial will be expanded to 2,000 employees," said NASA's David Saleeba, Assistant Administrator for Security Management and Safeguards.

"If the field trials are successful, and we receive the approval of the Office of Management and Budget, we plan to deploy over 100,000 smart cards before the end of the 2005 fiscal year," he said.

With the "One NASA" smart card, employees and contractors need only to swipe it across a reader to access a NASA center or facility.

Similarly, using the same card to access their personal computers will increase computer security. Cardholders need only to insert their card into a desktop reader at their workstations.

## EEO Required Training

During January and February, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center will be fulfilling the mandatory Equal Employee Opportunity (EEO) training requirement for all supervisors and managers as required by the Class Action Settlement Agreement.

This training is an opportunity that will provide a number of benefits. It will:

(1) examine the roles, responsibilities and expectations for Goddard's management personnel;

(2) analyze problems you face or could face as a supervisor and provide tools and techniques to help you recognize and resolve workplace issues before they grow into larger problems; and

(3) enable us to identify and provide better management practices and decision making in support of our efforts to strengthen our workforce and accomplish the NASA Mission.

The registration process can be completed online at: <http://ohr.gsfc.nasa.gov/EOTraining/>.

Register now to confirm a date that is convenient for you. There will be one session held at Wallops Flight Facility on Feb. 6, 2004.

If you have any questions, contact Kathy Dinsmore by email: [Kathryn.L.Dinsmore@nasa.gov](mailto:Kathryn.L.Dinsmore@nasa.gov) or Pam Guzzone, by email: [Pam.Guzzone@nasa.gov](mailto:Pam.Guzzone@nasa.gov).

## Application Deadlines

The application deadline for the Summer High School Apprenticeship Research Program (SHARP) is February 9. The application deadline for the Space Club Scholars program is February 25. For further information, call Ed Parrott on x 1861.

## Attention Basketball Players



The Wallops Fitness Club is restarting the basketball league. If you are interested in joining or forming a team please contact:

Desi Harmon on extension 5270 or 2222 (Wallops), 665-5270 or 665-7744 (home) or 757-709-8082 (cell)



View the  
**Super  
Bowl on  
the big  
screen**

## Carolina vs New England

Sunday, February 1, 2004  
F-3, The Rocket Club  
Doors open at 5 p.m.

Bring a dish to share!!

All security requirements apply.

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## EAP Lunch & Learn

Join Tom Northern, our Employee Assistance Program counselor, for this month's presentation - Resolute Resolutions

GOAL: How to maintain your resolve and be accountable for the New Year.

WHEN: Tuesday, January 27, 2004

WHERE: Williamsburg Room, Building E-2

TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



February 2 is  
**Groundhog Day**

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## Center Network Open House

By Curt Suprock  
CNE Project Manager

The Center Network Environment Project cordially invites the Wallops Flight Facility community to attend an Open House on Thursday, January 29 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the Building E2 Training Room. Our agenda is as follows:

1 p.m. - Introductions and Welcome

1:10 p.m. - Presentation/Overview of CNE Project

1:40 p.m. - Question and Answer session

Your participation is an integral part of our collective ability to support the Goddard user community as we work to consolidate the administrative network function under Code 291.

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